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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136, Applicants hereby petition that the period for response for the purpose of filing a Response to a Final Office Action, mailed August 25, 2003, in the above-referenced patent application, be extended for one (1) month to and including December 26, 2003. Please debit the \$55 extension fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a) or any additional fees due from Deposit Account 07-1185.

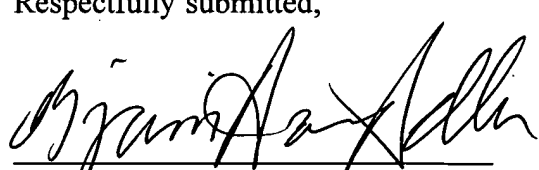
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- 1) Response after Final (10 pages); and
- 2) Sequence Listing, Compliance Statement & CRF.

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